Semper Fit Fitness





Objective

Be able to use general physical fitness principles to create a selfdirected physical training program that meets your needs and fulfills your goals.



General Fitness Principles

- Evaluate
- ✓ Educate
- Motivate
- Reevaluate





Evaluate Baselines

- Cardiovascular Health
- Muscular Strength & Endurance
- Flexibility
- Body composition









Cardiovascular Health

- Ability to perform moderate to high intensity exercise for a prolonged period of time
- Higher maximum oxygen consumption = Greater aerobic capacity
- VO2max is optimal measure of aerobic capacity



Muscular

- Combination of physical strength and endurance
- Muscular strength maximum amount you can lift one time
- Muscular endurance how long or how many times you can lift and lower a given weight

Flexibility

Maximum range of motion possible in a joint or series of joints

"right and left hamstring stretch"

"sit and reach"





Body Composition

Circumference method

Skinfold method

Underwater (Hydrostatic) weighing





Educate

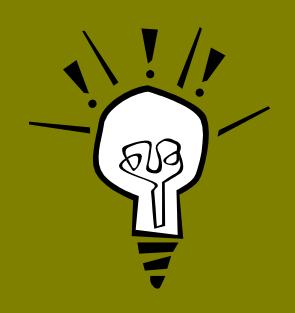
- Understand your results
- Compare them to norms, Marine Corps standards, and desired improvements
- Decide what changes are reasonable



Motivate

Set goals that are SMART: Specific

- Measurable
- Attainable
- Reasonable
- Time-bound





Reevaluate

- Same tests as in evaluation
- Compare current results to initial test
- Modify program as needed





Self Directed PT Program



Safety

- Medical status
- Injury prevention
- Early injury treatment

Protect
Rest
Ice
Compression
Elevation





Smart Training

Proper progression

- ✓ Warm-up
- Stretching
- Mechanics





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FrequencyIntensityTimeType

Progression





Frequency

Number of workouts performed each week

Guidelines:

cardiovascular 3 to 5

strength 2 to 3

calisthenics workouts 2 to 5





Intensity Measurements

% Max HR		RPE	
55	9	very light	
65	12	moderate	Typical
70	13	somewhat hard	Training
80	15	hard	Zone
90	17	very hard	
95	19	very, very hard	
100	20	maximal	



Target Heart Rate Zone

Max HR = 220 - your age 60% Max HR = Max HR x 0.60 85% Max HR = Max HR x 0.85

THR Zone = 60% to 85% of Max HR



Type

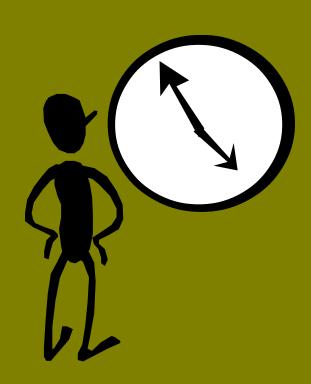
- Variation adds physical and psychological benefits
- Wide range of sport specific and cross training options





Time

- Duration of total exercise
- Interval lengths
- Rest periods





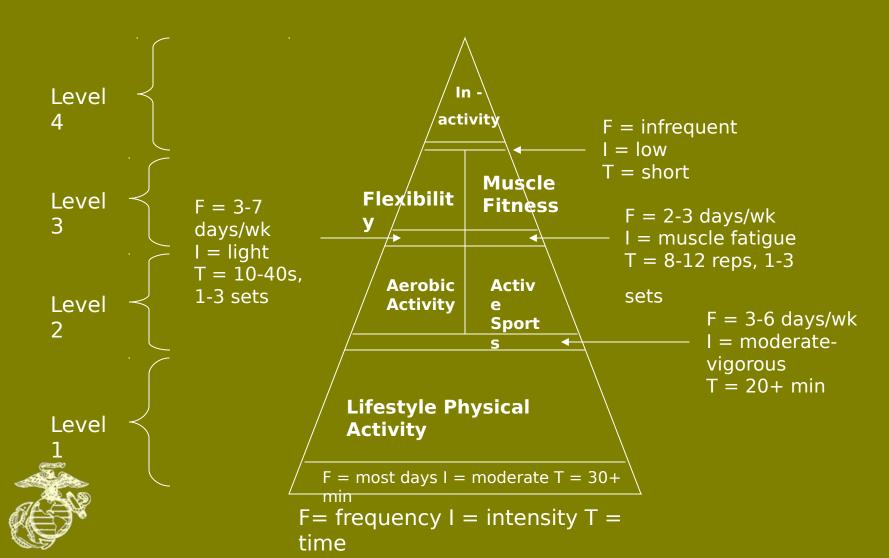
Progression

- Important for increased safety and training success
- Increase one aspect of training at a time

NOT MORE THAN 10% WEEKLY!



Physical Activity Pyramid



Cardiovascular Training Guidelines

- Meet goals & time constraints without injury
- Be aware of your capabilities and progression speed
- Can vary workouts to include aerobic and anaerobic systems

Weight Training Guidelines

- For new exercises, start with minimal weight
- Use a closed grip and place hands an equal distance from the ends of the bar
- Free weights: Feet should be hip to shoulder width apart, knees slightly bent, and back maintaining its natural curve
- Keep your head level and eyes focused straight ahead

Weight Training Guidelines Continued

- Resistance machines: Adjust the pads to fit your body size
- Lifts should be slow, smooth, and controlled
- Exhale during exertion and inhale during recovery. Do not hold your breath!



Always use a spotter

Sets and Repetitions

- General strength gains: 8-12 exercises, 1-3 times/wk
- Muscle endurance 1-3 sets, 12-15 reps, 30-60sec rest between sets
- Muscle strength/endurance 1-3 sets,
 8-12 reps, 60-90sec rest between sets
- Muscle strength 1-3 sets, 3-5 reps, at least 2 min rest between sets

Calisthenics

- Improves muscular strength & endurance
- Can be integrated into all aspects of training program
- Can be done as often as 5 times/wk
- Alter intensity by varying sets, reps and rest
- Examples: abdominal exercises, pushups, jumping jacks

Benefits of Improved Flexibility

- Reduced muscle soreness after workout
- Lower risk of injury
- Mental and physical preparation for exercise or competition
- Enhanced muscle performance



<u>Monday</u>

5min warm up (walk/light jog)
Stretching w/lower body emphasis
20min run low-moderate range of THR zone
3-5min cool down walk & stretching

Warm up w/light weight (1 set of 8-12 reps)

Strength training focused on lower body

3 sets of 8-12 reps with 90 sec rest

(strength/endurance)



2 sets of max crunches (full recovery between) Stretching w/lower body emphasis

<u>Tuesday</u>

5min warm up on stationary bike
Stretching w/lower body emphasis
20min stationary bike at low-moderate range of THR
zone

3-5min cool down walk & stretching

Warm up w/light weight (1 set of 8-12 reps)

Strength training focused on upper body

3 sets of 8-12 reps with 90 sec rest

(strength/endurance)



2-3 sets of max pull ups (full recovery between)

2 sets of max crunches (full recovery between)

<u>Wednesday</u>

10min warm up (walk/light jog)
Stretching w/lower body emphasis
3 mile run at moderate-high range of THR zone
5min cool down walk & stretching
2 sets of max crunches (optional)



Thursday

5-10min warm up on stationary bike
Warm up w/light weight (1 set of 8-12 reps)
Strength training focused on upper body
2-3 sets of 8-12 reps with 90 sec rest
(strength/endurance)

2 sets of max crunches (full recovery between)

2-3 sets of max pull ups (full recovery between) Stretching w/upper body & lower back emphasis



<u>Friday</u>

5min warm up (walk/light jog)
Stretching w/lower body emphasis
25min run at low-moderate range of THR zone
3-5min cool down walk & stretching

2 sets of max crunches (full recovery between)
Stretching w/lower body emphasis



Saturday

30-60min of alternative cardiovascular activity (no running)

3-5min cool down walk & stretching (inline skate, swim, bike, surf, etc)

<u>Sunday</u>

OFF Recover and rest



Weight Management

- Ensure optimal health, fitness and physical performance
- Maintain military readine
- Achieve peak performand





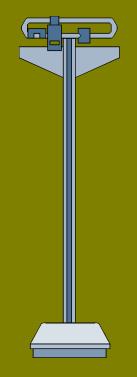
Energy Balance

Calories Eaten - Calories Burned

Positive = weight gain

Negative = weight loss





Calculating Your BMR

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Age Equation
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Men: 18-30 6.95 x body weight (lbs) + 679

30-60 5.27 x body weight (lbs) + 879

Women: 18-30 6.68 x body weight (lbs) + 496

30-60 3.95 x body weight (lbs) + 829

Your BMR is _____kcal/day.



Estimate Your Activity Factor

<u>Level</u>	Activity Factor	
Very light	Seated and standing activities, driving	1.2
Light	Walking, sailing, bowling, light stretching	1.4
Moderate	Jogging, aerobic dance, light swimming	1.6
Strenuous	Stairmaster, running, racquet sports	1.9
Exceptional	Running or swimming races, cycling uphill	2.3



Estimated Energy Requirement

Energy needs = ____ ×_____ BMR Activity Factor

Your EER = kcal/ day.





Body Mass Index

Your BMI =
$$___ \times 705 \div (___)^2 = ___$$
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body weight(lbs) height (in) ratio

Ratio <20 20-25 25-30 >30 Classification
Underweight
Normal
Overweight
Obese



Waist-to-Hip Ratio

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Your WHR = ____ ÷ ___ = ____ 

waist circ. (in) hip circ. (in) ratio
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Standards for Waist-to-Hip Ratios

Men: <0.95

Women: <0.80



Special Programs





Training Strategies

Workout

Time Trial performance Intervals

alternate

Pyramids

general &

Fartleks

Description

Use to establish baseline of fitness.

Ratios of recovery to work. Ex:

3 min normal, 1 min sprint, etc. Incr general & performance fitness.

1:1, 3:2, 5:3, 7:5, 5:3, 3:2, 1:1 (first number hard, second rest) Incr performance fitness.

Unstructured mixture of normal &

exercise pace. Incr general &

Weight Training

Strength oriented = higher weight, less reps

- Slow negatives
- Pyramids





Remedial Assistance Modifications

- ✓ THR between 60% and 70% of HR Max
- Run no more than three times a week
- Never run more than two days in a row
- Supplement running with lowerintensity cardiovascular activity



Training in Confined Spaces

Station	Exercise	Time
	Warm-up	5 min
1	Wall Squat w/Ball	60 sec
2	Push Ups	60 sec
3	Jog in Place	60 sec
4	Stair Step/Jog	60
sec		
5	Jumping Jacks	60
sec		
50	Check Heart Rate	10 sec
\$5 30		

Training in Confined Spaces

Stati	on Exercise	Time		
6	Lat Pulldown w/Band	60 sec		
7	Crunches & Lower Back Extens	sions 30		
sec ea				
8	Biceps Curl & Triceps Extension	w/Band 30		
sec ea				
9	Jumping Jacks	60		
sec				
10	Stair Step/Jog	60		
sec				
11	Jog in Place	60 sec		
12	Jumping Jacks	60		
sec				

Check Heart Rate
Repeat Stations 1-12 2-4 Times

10 sec

Factors that Impede Acclimation

- Dehydration
- Alcohol
- Illness

- Infection
 - Injury
 - ✓ Sleep
- Reduction of physical activity
- Electrolyte depletion
- ✓ Inadequate energy intake

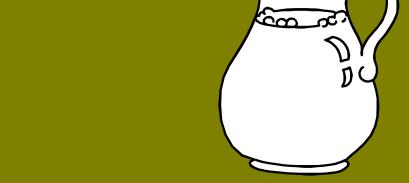


Heat

Avoid the heat of the day



- Risk of dehydration and heat illness
- ✓ 8-10 days to acclimatize to the heat
- Stay hydrated!!!





Cold





- Check weather and dress appropriate
- Wear several layers and a hat or cap
- Warm up longer
- Replenish lost carbohydrates & electrolytes
- Be aware of potential cold injuries

Altitude

- May experience difficulty breathing and absorbing nutrients
- Reduced performance until you adjust
- Most problems subside after 5-10 days
- Increase carbohydrate intake
- Stay hydrated!!!



Supplements and Performance

Nutritional supplement - a nutrient taken in addition to your diet

Ergogenic agent - a substance taken with the intent of improving physical performance

When Are They Useful?

- You have an existing vitamin or mineral deficiency
- You have poor dietary habits
- You are in extreme environmental conditions



Understand Before You Buy

- Amount of Nutrients
- Natural Versus Synthetic Vitamins
- Additives
- Store Brands Versus Name Brand
- Disintegration Rate
- Expiration Dates
- Stress Tablets



No Iron for Men



Nutritional Ergogenic Agents

- Energy Enhancers
- Fat Burners
- Growth Hormone Releasers
- Glycogen Sparers
- Intracellular Buffers
- Testosterone Enhancers
- Miscellaneous



Energy Enhancers

Claim: Improves performance by increasing energy

Reality: No demonstrated benefits in healthy people. Potential side effects.

Fat Burners

- Claim: Reduces body fat and increases lean mass
- Reality: Benefits range from nonexistent to questionable to inconclusive with various side effects.



Growth Hormone Releasers

- Claim: Promotes muscle growth through an increase in growth hormone release
- Reality: Some have shown benefits. Most have negative side effects.



Glycogen Sparers

- Claim: Increases energy and endurance, and reduces fatigue
- Reality: Some demonstrated benefits with varied effects and potentially uncomfortable side effects.

Intracellular Buffers

- Claim: Delays fatigue and increases aerobic capacity by buffering potentially harmful metabolic byproducts
- Reality: Have shown questionable to moderate benefits with GI related side effects.

Testosterone Enhancers

- Claim: Increases testosterone levels, leading to more lean muscle mass
- Reality: Little to no benefits in those that are not banned. Known side effects.



Miscellaneous

Includes a wide variety of health claims, risks and benefits

Reality: Results vary. Most require more research.



Ergolytic Agents

- Alcohol Causes severe dehydration and decreases performance
- <u>Amphetamines</u> Increases heart rate and blood pressure; may cause dizziness, stomach upset, irritability, insomnia, and death
 - Banned by the military!!
- <u>Tobacco</u> Increases heart rate and blood pressure, leading to decreased performance; long term health risks



Summary

- Be consistent
- Follow the FITT-P principles
- Keep it simple
- Use this guide to develop your program
- Start now Stay with it!

